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1. YUGOSLAV MEDIA FEB 13 DEVOTE BROAD COVERAGE TO WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ON ENERGY. ATTENTION PRINCIPALLY FOCUSED ON REPORTED CLASH OF U.S.-FRENCH VIEWS, WITH COVERAGE ALSO OF CONFERENCE ATTITUDES TOWARD DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

2. LEADING BELGRADE DAILY POLITIKA FEB 13 CARRIES LENGTHY PAGE-ONE REPORT BY NY CORR JURIJ GUSTINCIC, HEADLINED, "KISSINGER - JOBERT DUEL." AS EXPECTED, WRITES GUSTINCIC, THERE WAS CLASH OF VIEWS BETWEEN U.S. CONCEPT OF GREATER WESTERN UNITY IN ENERGY CRISIS AND EUROPEAN ATTITUDE EXPRESSED BY JOBERT, THAT QUESTION WAS TOO IMPORTANT TO BE DISCUSSED IN RESTRICTED "WESTERN CLUB." REPORT STATES THAT OTHER CONFEREES, WISHING TO AVOID CONFRONTATION WITH EITHER U.S. OR FRANCE, ARE SEEKING COMPROMISE POSITION. SAME DAY POLITIKA (PAGE 2) CARRIES UPI STORY, "DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND OIL PRODUCERS WILL PARTICIPATE IN SECOND ROUND OF CONFERENCE.

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3. BELGRADE DAILY BORBA FEB 13 (P.2) ALSO FOCUSES ON DIFFERENCES EXPRESSED AT ENERGY CONFERENCE IN TANJUG DESPATCH FROM PARIS

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BY ZARKO STOJANOVIC, WHICH RECITES FRENCH VIEWS AND DETAILS "JOBERT'S DUEL WITH KISSINGER." NOVI SAD'S DNEVNIK FEB 13 CARRIES REPORT (AFP, UPI, REUTERS) HEADLINED "JOBERT AGAINST KISSINGER AND SCHEEL."

4. TANJUG BULLETIN FEB 13 CARRIES WASHINGTON DESPATCH STATING THAT OPENING DAY ADDRESS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER "SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN MIDDLE-OF-ROAD COURSE" BETWEEN PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED U.S. VIEWS AND OBJECTION RAISED BY WESTERN EUROPEANS. "USING VERY RESOLUTE WORDS AND AT TIMES STRIKING POLEMICAL TONE," REPORT CONTINUES, KISSINGER OUTLINED AND REITERATED FUNDAMENTAL U.S. STAND ON DIMENSIONS OF ENERGY CRISIS. TANJUG CITES KISSINGER SUGGESTION

FOR ANOTHER CONFERENCE OF CONSUMERS POSSIBLY INCLUDING LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, AND ADDS THAT KISSINGER SPEECH "PLACED VERY STRONG ACCENT ON PLIGHT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES."
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